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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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Receptor-Binding Activity**

Inventors: BHASKARAN *et al.*
Our Ref: 2057.0060002/JAG/BJD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. SKGF Cover Letter;
2. Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b);
3. A listing of the cited documents on form PTO-1449;
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